

FREDERICK GILES

Frederick Giles, son of William and Sarah Huskinson Giles, was born March 3, 1835, in Sterrley, Nottinghamshire, England. He was a convert to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, being baptized at Gringley when about 18 years of age.

In 1853 he left Liverpool, England, for

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America, arriving at New Orleans, La., after 53 days on the ocean. He resided for a time near Quincy, Illinois, at Burlington, Iowa, and for over a year at Council Bluffs, Iowa. In the spring of 1856 he joined a company of about "forty or fifty" wagons and crossed the plains and mountains, arriving in Salt Lake City after a journey of seven weeks.

He moved soon afterward to Provo, where he married Mary Ann Moulton on January 19, 1859. One son, Frederick W. Giles, was born here. In the fall of 1860 he moved to Provo Valley, which was the name then given to Heber Valley. A son, John T., was born in 1862, and a daughter, Sarah (who married J. W. Mahoney), was born in 1864. In 1868 his wife passed away, and in 1869 he married Mariah Sharp, who bore him three sons and three daughters: Mary Ann (Cummings), Selena (Walker), Elizabeth (Chatwin), Heber H., Lorenzo, and George Franklin. His wife, Mariah, died in 1890, and the following year he was married to Hannah Roberts. To this union were born Leonard H. and Celia Giles (Chase).

He was a butcher, a brick maker and a farmer. He served as a Sunday School board member. His Church service included work in the Sunday School superintendency and in the Seventy's Quorum. He was proud of at least 40 years continuous service as a ward teacher. He suffered a broken arm and internal injuries while dehorning cattle in 1896 and never fully recovered, dying at the age of 67 years on April 2, 1902.

MARIA SHARP GILES

Maria Sharp Giles was born March 24, 1846, at Goole, Yorkshire, England, to Jonathan Sharp and Elizabeth Thorpe. Maria

came to Heber with her parents when 22 years of age, and later married Frederick Giles, March 8, 1869, in the old Endowment House in Salt Lake City, Utah.

To Maria and Frederick were born six children: Mary Ann, Sylena, Lorenzo, George, Elizabeth, and Heber. During her early married life, Maria had many of the pioneer hardships to contend with, such as living in a log cabin with a dirt roof. This dirt roof presented quite a problem when it rained, and buckets had to be placed to catch the rain. Maria also helped rear two children by her husband's first marriage.

Maria Sharp died July 4, 1890. It was always the custom in Heber to have a grand celebration on the Fourth of July, but out of respect to Maria Sharp, the entire celebration was cancelled.

